

CITY OF RENO, NEVADA,
Appellant

v.

ACTING PHOENIX AREA DIRECTOR,
BUREAU OF INDIAN AFFAIRS,
Appellee

: Order Docketing and Dismissing
: Appeal
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: Docket No. IBIA 98-8-A
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: October 22, 1997

On October 6, 1997, the Board of Indian Appeals (Board) received a notice of appeal from the City of Reno, Nevada (Appellant). Appellant sought review of an August 26, 1997, letter from the Acting Phoenix Area Director, Bureau of Indian Affairs (Area Director), in which the Area Director stated his intent to take into trust status for the Reno-Sparks Indian Colony of Nevada (Tribe) four parcels of land which the Tribe had purchased in 1993. The parcels are identified by the Washoe County, Nevada, Assessor's Office as APN 022-270-22 (1.57 acres), APN 022-270-23 (1.59 acres), APN 022-270-24 (1.58 acres), and APN 022-270-25 (1.67 acres).

On October 15, 1997, the Board received a facsimile transmission (fax) from the Phoenix Area Office which included an October 10, 1997, letter from Appellant to the Board. The Board did not receive the original of this letter or a fax copy from Appellant. However, the Board verified the contents of the letter through a telephone conversation with the letter's author on October 20, 1997. The October 10, 1997, letter withdraws Appellant's notice of appeal.

Pursuant to the authority delegated to the Board of Indian Appeals by the Secretary of the Interior, 43 C.F.R. § 4.1, this appeal from the Acting Phoenix Area Director's August 26, 1997, letter of intent is docketed but dismissed on the basis that it has been withdrawn by the Appellant.

Kathryn A. Lynn
Chief Administrative Judge

Anita Vogt
Administrative Judge